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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: VENEZUELA RAILROAD

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1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL TRADE SOURCES THE ONLY RAILROAD PROJECT IN VENEZUELA IN WHICH THEY ARE INTERESTED IS NEW CARACAS METRO. POST IS NOT SURE THIS IS PROJECT DESCRIBED IN REF CABLE. HOWEVER, SPANISH CONSORTIUM OF MACOSA (MATERIAL Y CONSTRUCCIONES S.A.) AND CAF (CONSTRUCCIONES Y AUXILIAR DE FERROCARRILES S.A.) ARE BIDDING ON CARACAS METRO.

2. MACOSA IS LEADING MANUFACTURER AND EXPORTER OF LOCOMOTIVES AND RAILWAY CARS. LOCOMOTIVES ARE MANUFACTURED UNDER LICENSE OF GENERAL MOTORS CORP., DETROIT, MICHIGAN. FIRM HAS EXPORTED OVER 100 LOCOMOTIVES TO BRASIL AND SOME 25 TO YUGOSLAVIA. ITS MAIN CLIENTS IN SPAIN ARE THE NATIONAL RAILROAD SYSTEM (RENFE) AND
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THE BARCELONA METRO.

3. CAF IS ANOTHER MANUFACTURER OF LOCOMOTIVES AND RAILWAY ROLLING STOCK. TI IS CURRENTLY SUPPLYING THE MAJOR SHARE OF THE NEW ROLLING STOCK ORDERED BY RENFE.

4. POST IS DEVELOPING INFORMATION ON GOS DIRECT AND/OR INDIRECT PARTICIPATION IN SPANISH EFFORT.
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